IN THE CLAIMS

Amend Claims 1-10 as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activation method characterized in that ~~the~~ N poles of permanent magnets are arranged in mutually opposing positions in ~~the~~ a water supply pipe, ~~the~~ water circulation pipe and/or faucet or ~~the~~ extension fitting and ~~in that~~ a repulsive magnetic field is induced in the pipe in ~~such~~ a manner such that ~~the~~ infrared radiation emitted from germanium-including biotite brought in close proximity to ~~the~~ a surface of the permanent magnets ~~referred to herein above~~ is allowed to act on the water.

2. (Currently amended) A method of in-pipe water activation in accordance with claim 1, ~~herein above~~ characterized in that the ~~afore described~~ germanium-including biotite is used as a powder coated on ~~to~~ the surface of the permanent magnets or coated onto a ferromagnetic sheet and attached to the permanent magnets, or ~~alternatively used~~ in powder or granular form is brought into movable contact with the permanent magnets, or ~~alternatively used as~~ a magnet-bonded molding by mixing ~~it~~ with a ferromagnetic powder and bonding ~~it~~ to the magnet.

3. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator characterized in that ~~the~~ a permanent magnet (1) with ~~the~~ germanium-including biotite bonded ~~on to it~~ thereon is positioned in ~~the~~ an inner surface (4) of ~~the~~ a roughly U-shaped retaining detail and an auxiliary retaining detail (3) is used to hold ~~the~~ an upper surface of the ~~aforesaid~~ magnet in position.

4. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator in accordance with Claim 3 ~~herein above~~ characterized in that the ~~aforesaid~~ permanent magnet is composed ~~a permanent magnet consisting~~ of magnetic strips obtained by baking germanium-including biotite and a resin-type paint on ~~to~~ the magnet and thereupon bonding the paint film coat under magnetic force.

5. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator characterized in that ~~the~~ germanium-including biotite granules and ~~the~~ a permanent magnet are contacted and filled in or with a box-shaped retaining detail (11).

6. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator according to claim 3, comprising ~~characterized in that it consists of~~ a bonded magnet molding obtained in ~~such~~ a manner such that ~~a~~ germanium-including biotite powder and ~~a~~ ferromagnetic powder are brought together and processed to bond to the magnet.

7. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator according to claim 3 characterized in that ~~a~~ the permanent magnet (1) ~~that~~ has germanium-including biotite attached to ~~the~~ mutually opposing N poles on the inner side and is pressure-fitted on to a retaining detail (3).

8. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator in accordance with claim 7 ~~herein above~~ characterized in that it is a permanent magnet ~~consisting~~ composed of a magnetic board obtained in ~~such~~ a manner such that the ~~aforementioned~~ permanent magnet is treated by baking the germanium-including biotite powder and a resin paint thereon and causing it to be attached by magnetic force after the paint film has been applied.

9. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator according to claim 5 characterized in that the germanium-including biotite powder and the permanent magnet whose N poles are arranged in a mutually opposing position are contacted and filled with the retaining detail (11).

10. (Currently amended) A method of maintaining body temperature by way of promoting blood flow achieved by implanting in the body an ~~indwelling~~ in-pipe running water activator ~~consisting~~ composed of a bonded magnet molding obtained in ~~such~~ a manner such that a germanium-including biotite powder and a ferromagnetic powder are brought together and processed to bond to the magnet.